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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

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I believe I am an original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed  
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the specification of which is attached hereto.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified  
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I acknowledge my duty to disclose all information which is known by me to be material to  
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None

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I hereby appoint the attorneys and agents associated with Customer No. 50-1676, respectively and individually, as my attorneys and agents, with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

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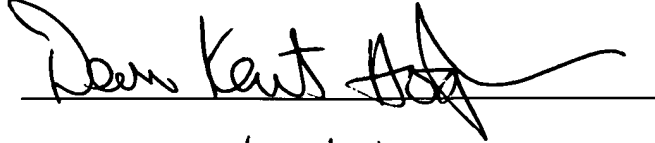
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